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2015 Correctional Employees' Week Celebrated Across the State

Gov. Beshear Issues Proclamation for May 4-9

Frankfort, Ky. (May 1, 2015) – From Paducah to Pikeville, and everywhere in between, events are taking place next week to mark "Correctional Employees Week." Governor Steve Beshear proclaimed May 4-9, 2015, as the official period in Kentucky when correctional employees are recognized for their hard work and commitment to public safety.

Events are being held at state prisons, probation and parole districts and at the department's Central Office in Frankfort to serve as a "thank you" to the Kentucky Department of Corrections' more than 4,000 employees.

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed Proclamation 5187, creating National Correctional Officers' Week. In 1996, the name of the week was officially modified by Congress, becoming National Correctional Officers and Employees Week to include other vital members of correctional staff. The observance seeks to commemorate the contributions of corrections professionals who work in prisons, jails and community corrections across the country.

Editor's note: Proclamation and Department of Corrections' logo attached

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